

MAN DOES SHOPPING FOR 6,000 WOMEN

**Lieut. Schwab Orders Food
and Furniture for Waves and
Spars in the Bronx**

ROOMS ARE COMFORTABLE

**Fittings From Normandie and
Other Merchant Ships Used
—Laundry a Problem**

The man with what is probably the longest shopping list in New York is Lieutenant Herbert Schwab, supply officer at the new training school for Waves and Spars on the Bronx campus of Hunter College, whose job it is to order furniture and food for 6,000 women.

In addition to utilizing furniture of the French liner Normandie and merchant ships that have been converted to other uses, the Wave school will receive 2,500 double-deck bunks, 1,200 of which will arrive within the next week. These differ from ordinary men's bunks in that they are made of wood instead of metal and do not fold. The mattresses are larger and thicker than those aboard ship, so that the women recruits will be provided with greater comfort than men in crowded ship quarters.

Two girls will be assigned to a room in the near-by Kingsbridge apartment houses. Each room will be equipped with study chairs, a square brown study table with a fluorescent lamp that can be swung from side to side, a wooden locker and a chest of drawers.

All Linen Is New

Six thousand white unused bedspreads, taken off the United States Lines, will cover the bunks and 3,000 more have been ordered. All linen is new. Laundering presents a problem, since Lieutenant Schwab doubts whether one company could handle all the linen, which probably will be divided among three or four laundries.

By the middle or end of next week one apartment house will be furnished completely. The apartments are not being rebuilt, but walls with "wild" colors are being painted eggshell white to reflect as much light as possible. Elaborate lighting fixtures are being replaced by regular white light bulbs to supply a minimum of 150 watts for each room.

Lieutenant Schwab, a former lawyer, who returned from sea duty ten days ago, plans to feed 5,000 girls, cafeteria style, within two hours for each meal. Regular mess tables that seat eight or ten with benches or stools will replace the college furniture. In the Spring a canvas awning and tables will be placed on the terrace for outdoor meals. It has been calculated that twenty-five men can be fed per minute, but Lieutenant Schwab doubts whether women can eat that quickly.

Cafeteria to Be Used

More gas ranges will be added to the kitchen, where ship's cooks and bakers will prepare the meals. The faculty cafeteria will be used as the officers' dining room and will not be changed.

Lieutenant Schwab's marketing list for one month includes 56,000 pounds of beef, 32,000 pounds of beef livers, 13,000 pounds of pork loins, 11,000 dozen eggs, 18,200 pounds of cabbage, 10,880 pounds of apples and 20,190 pounds of oranges.

Arrangements for uniforms have been made with eight department stores in the city.

Lieutenant Schwab is assisted by Lieutenant (j. g.) George H. Thompson, dispersing officer, and Ensign Gerald Blosser, commissary officer.